

**QUEENSLAND CATHOLIC  
SCHOOLS & COLLEGES**  
*Music Festival*  
August 12-15 2010

**20<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary Celebration**

**Featuring James Morrison**

**Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2010**

QCMF turns 20 in 2010! To commemorate this great milestone an event is being planned to celebrate the growth and development of Catholic music education in Queensland. We want this night to be as inclusive as possible, and to be attended by as many as possible, so we have booked the Concert Hall of the Queensland Performing Arts Centre. We also want it to be a night that the involved students and staff will never forget, so we have locked-in James Morrison as our special guest for the event!

To celebrate the non-competitive and supportive philosophy of QCMF, we intend to combine forces and create representative honour ensembles welcoming student musicians from all participating schools. Special arrangements are being made to also ensure that our North QLD and regional participants are also involved.

**Tentative Honours Ensembles:**

Primary School Choir, Concert Band & String Orchestra  
Secondary School Choir, Concert Band, Big Band and Symphony Orchestra

To make the evening even more memorable, after performing with each ensemble, James Morrison will conclude the concert with a 30-minute performance with his jazz combo.

**How it will work:**

In the new year, schools will be sent an information pack, and will be asked to nominate musicians for the various ensembles. A selection process will then take place with hopes of involving select representatives from every participating school, as there's no way that we could include all nominated students. Those selected will be sent an invitation to either accept or decline. Once confirmed, students will be sent the music to learn prior to the festival weekend. There will be one mid-year rehearsal organised in Brisbane and one in North QLD, for the students to come together to meet and get to know the repertoire. There will then be a final rehearsal and sound-check on the weekend of the festival.

**Does this affect the Festival?**

We are looking at possibly running some sections on Thursday next year to be able to accommodate this event, and end adjudicated sections by Sunday afternoon instead of evening. More information will be available soon to help people plan for this.

On behalf of the Festival staff and volunteers, I wish you all a well-earned holiday, and we'll be in touch in 2010!

**Dr Peter Morris**  
**Festival Coordinator**